

# Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

Louisiana consumers can continue to eat meat with complete confidence, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom said.

"In the face of the report of mad cow disease Dec. 23, 2003, in one cow in Washington state we have gotten calls from Louisiana citizens concerning the safety of our meat," Odom said.

"To as near a certainty as humanly possible, we know the disease is not present in Louisiana livestock or in the meat being sold to Louisiana consumers," Odom said.

Louisiana has a surveillance program in which the Department of Agriculture and Forestry's (LDAF) state veterinarians monitor any sick or "downer" animals. Samples of the animals are taken for further testing. In 2003 the department tested samples from 31 downer animals

and they all came back negative. "This program is in full effect today and will continue. All tests have been negative," Odom said.

In 2003, the LDAF Agricultural Chemistry Lab also tested 24 samples of beef and dairy cattle feed for contaminants including animal renderings, which can transmit the agent responsible for mad cow disease, and all of the results were negative.

Odom noted that the chief ramification from the positive test for mad cow, properly known as Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE), in Washington is the severe economic impact to the U.S. cattle market. "The cattle markets closed down the maximum possible in the first week of trading after the U.S. Department of Agriculture received confirmation of the positive diagnosis of BSE."

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In the first cattle auctions in Louisiana following a two-week Christmas holiday closure, cattle prices were off slightly but there was a substantial decline in the volume of cattle sold. The LDAF's Market News Division reported a drop in West Monroe from about 600 head before mad cow was confirmed to about 200 following the announcement. In Baton Rouge, the numbers dropped from about 400 to 100, and in Kinder they dropped from about 1,000 to 170.

Livestock officials attribute the decline in volume of cattle sold to ranchers' reluctance to sell until they know how prices will be affected.

"The responsibility for the major damage being done to the cattle industry rests squarely with the Bush administration," Odom said.

"I have made the point on several occasions to federal officials that they should be testing all the herds that come into the U.S. from Canada following the finding earlier this year of a single case of BSE there.

"They failed to do that and now we are paying a heavy price."

Mad cow infects the brain, spinal column and the lower part of the small intestine. The meat sold to consumers is muscle meat. It does not contain parts from the brain, spinal column or intestine.

But, he added, "I had our meat inspection division canvass the state looking for any meat products that may have come into Louisiana from the plants identified in Washington as having processed meat from this animal. Nothing was found."

Also, the department's veterinary division is checking all dairy herds

to determine if any replacement dairy cows had been moved into Louisiana from dairy herds in Washington or Canada, Odom said. Again, none were found.

The state is in daily contact with USDA officials keeping abreast of the latest developments in the Washington state case, Odom said.

In addition to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry's surveillance program, Louisiana's meat supply does not typically come from the far western states.

"The meat that is sold in our supermarkets is normally from animals much closer to home than 2,000 miles away in Washington state," Odom said.

A Web site with links to a wide range of topics on mad cow is [www.louisianalivestock.org/bse](http://www.louisianalivestock.org/bse).

## CATTLE

No grade sires listed in the interest of better livestock. All dairy cattle 20 mos. of age, beef cattle 24 mos. of age, or pastured or post pastured animals of any age offered for sale, except for immediate slaughter, must have valid 30-day negative brucellosis test certificate. Contact La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry, P.O. Box 1951, Baton Rouge, La. 70821-1951.

**REMINDER: Have all of your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age vaccinated against brucellosis. For information contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, your parish Cattlemen's Association or parish Farm Bureau.**

**Reg. Char.** bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmysdad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. Walter Lemoine, Marksville; (318) 253-7939.

**Reg. Char.** bulls, 12-15 mos., Budsmysdad & Big Sky breeding, cert. herd, \$1000/1-up. Stanley Lemoine, Plaquemine; (225) 659-7088.

**Reg. Simm.** & Simbrah cattle, heifers, bulls, prs., \$550/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**Reg. horned** & polled Hereford bulls, 2 yrs., excellent bloodlines & EPD's, well built, thick & deep, ready for service, semen tested, Bogalusa area, \$1500/1. William Bell, New Orleans; (504) 864-1565.

**Reg. Beefmaster** bulls, 18-24 mos., excel. cond., ready for service, \$1100-\$1650. B. J. Landry, Jennings; (337) 824-3350 or Brian Guillory, (337) 824-2181.

**Reg. 5/8, 3/8** Braford bulls & heifers, champ. bloodlines, gain test leaders, weaned heifers, \$700/1-up; bulls, \$1500/1-up. Fred Elsing, Alexandria; (318) 442-0741 or (318) 447-1145.

**Reg. blk.** Angus bulls, 8-9 mos., \$550. Clinton Breland, Angie; (985) 848-9213.

**(1) Reg. Char.** bull, born 10/21/01, fertility tested, all shots, \$1500; (1) reg. blk. Angus bull, born 12/09/01, son of EL Tigre of Cquin, fertility tested, all shots,

\$1500 or both for, \$2800. Harry Comeaux, Arnaudville; (337) 662-3270.

**Reg. BBU** Beefmaster bulls, Spartacus & Grand Cherokee bloodlines, ready for service, \$850; (12) F-1 Beefmaster-Angus heifers, ready to breed, \$650/1 or \$600/1 if all taken. Gaston Gerald, Greenwell Springs; (225) 654-8816.

**Reg. Shorthorn** heifers & bulls, yrlgs., polled, quality cattle, reds, whites & red/white, heifers, \$600/1; bulls, \$700/1. Jerry Epperson, Baker; (225) 654-5881.

**F-1 Heifers**, reg. on both sides, \$650/1. Sidney Thibodeaux, Morrow; (318) 346-6781.

**Beefmaster bulls** & heifers, \$625/1. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**Reg. Angus** bulls, EXT & 2418 sons, pasture cond., EPD's avail., 1, 2 & 3 yrs., \$1000, \$1600, \$2500. Mark LeJeune, Elton; (337) 526-3520 or (337) 584-2912.

**(1) Brangus bull**, 14 mos., out of reg. herd, \$800 or trade for 3 yr. good quality, bred blk. Brangus cow. Keith Deville, Pine Prairie; (337) 599-2650.

**Jersey & Holstein** nurse cows, some w/calves, \$800/1-up. Stephen Lewis, Angie; (985) 986-1000 or (985) 732-7004.

**Limousin bulls**, blk., polled, great EPD's, ready for spring breeding, docile, \$1350/1-up. Terry Fox, New Iberia; (337) 364-4241.

**(4) Brangus bulls**, 3 yrs., clean sheath, \$1500/1. John Boudreaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-6743.

**Reg. Char.** bull, 14 mos., very gentle, halter broke, has been shown in (2) 4-H livestock shows, \$1500; reg. blk. Angus bull, 2 yrs., \$1200. Donald deLa Houssaye, New Iberia; (337) 364-5934.

**Reg. red & blk.** Limousin bulls, AI'd, by trait leading sires, heavy muscled, \$1200/1-up. Brent Deshautelle, Marksville; (318) 253-6495.

**Reg. Brangus** bulls, breeding age, \$975/1-up; Brangus cows & heifers. Chip Durand, St. Martinville; (337) 394-4008.

**(20) Blk. baldy/super blk. baldy**, yrlg./spring heifers, \$550/1, if all

taken; individual selection, \$600/1. Mary Cambre, Robert; (985) 345-3432.

**(1) Pb Brahman** bull calf, 23 mos., from top V-8 bloodline, \$700. William Cheek, Kaplan; (337) 643-7146.

**Reg. blk.** Simm. bull, ready for service, very gentle, calving ease EPD, 21 mos., polled, wh.-faced, 6 frame, performance proven genetics, cert. brucellosis free herd, \$1500. Louis Wittie, Hammond; (985) 345-6748.

**Reg. Brahman** bull, gray, 3 1/2 yrs., gentle, selling out herd, \$1300. Jerry Fluitt, Gueydan; (337) 536-6522.

**Beefmasters**, high performing, quality cattle, bulls, 18 mos.-2 yrs., \$1600-\$2200; heifers, open & bred, \$800-\$1200, CFH# 88-691, current vacc. Mel Jackson, Alexandria; [mjbeefmasters@aol.com](mailto:mjbeefmasters@aol.com) or (318) 443-0203.

**Brangus & Braford** type cross-bred heifers, bred to Angus bulls, will begin calving in Feb., \$850/1-up; various Angus bulls, \$1200/1-up. Ed O'Neal, DeRidder; (337) 463-3946.

**Reg. Brown** Swiss bull, sire is Forest Lawn Jamarr, born 3/18/03, \$800. Paul Alford, Kentwood; (985) 229-7105.

**Reg. Corriente** yrlgs., \$300/1. Ted Champagne, St. Martinville; (337) 394-1222 or (337) 230-6694.

**Reg. Char.**, 34 yrs. of Char. breeding, Duke, Tundra, Wallstreet, & Sky Mon. Ease, cert. herd, weaned bulls, up to 24 mos., \$750/1-up; weaned heifers, up to 11 mos., \$650/1-up; bred cows, \$950/1-up. Ivy Guillot, Sr., Marksville; (318) 253-8300.

**(65) Reg. & comm.** Brangus females, 3 yrs. & older, open, ready for bull, \$750/1; (35) blk., blk. baldy & red baldy yrlg. heifers, \$725/1; (16) reg. Brangus yrlg. heifers, \$900/1; (3) reg. Brangus bulls, 2 yrs., \$1750-\$2500/1; (20) reg. Brangus bulls, 16 mos., \$1800/1. Ronnie Link, Evergreen; (318) 939-2345.

**Reg. blk.** Angus bull, 14 mos., excel. bloodlines, very gentle, \$1000. Jerry Disen, Bienville;

(318) 576-8950.

**(5) F1 heifers**, 10-11 mos., out of reg. Brahman cows, (4) out of a reg. horned Hereford bull, (1) out of reg. Angus bull, also pb Brahman heifer, 12 mos., \$650/1. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off; (985) 632-2695.

**Coastal raised** for coastal trade, polled Hereford bulls, some from horned embryo transplant dams, all from top EPD lines, a few w/no reg. cert., 6 mos.-3 yrs., \$400-\$1600/1, no Sunday trades. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

**Reg. Horned** Hereford herd bull, 4 yrs., OCHS Bros breeding, \$2000. Chris Lewis, Angie; (985) 986-1000 or (985) 732-7004.

**BBU reg. Beefmaster** bulls, 20 mos., red, excel. cond., \$800; pb heifer 6-12 mos., not reg., \$500. Waldo Thibodeaux, Lafayette; (337) 235-4587 or (337) 332-3531.

**Reg. Char.** cow, 4 yrs., 3/N/1, w/heifer calf, papers, w/both, \$1100. Ray Normand, Hessmer; (318) 563-4475.

**Reg. Angus** bulls, 13-16 mos., gentle, pasture raised, out of Traveler & Gay Bando 237 & Emulous breed, \$1200. Albert Roger, Sr., Carencro; (337) 896-6314.

**Reg. Brahman** bull, born, 7/03, has a bloodline that contains Suville, Didor Crata, Imperator & Manso, \$400. Kami Guillot, Mansura; (318) 253-8585.

**Reg. Red** Angus bulls, 12-14 mos., all AI top bloodline bulls, \$1000. Jim Ortego, Carencro; (337) 278-1183 or (337) 896-7551.

**(2) Reg. Angus** bulls, 4 yrs., gentle, calves to show, \$1325/1. Ronald Chiasson, LaRose; (985) 693-7218.

**Brangus heifers**, top quality replacement heifers, bred to LBW Angus bulls, large frames, vacc., very gentle, sell any amount, \$850/1. Ralph Robinson, Ida; (318) 284-3530.

**Reg. blk. Angus** bull, will be 4 yrs. 2/1/04, excel. animal, calves on the ground, LBW calves, \$2000. Ralph Zepp, Natchitoches; (318) 356-7519.

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**RTW weans.**, yrlgs., mares & geld., pal., blue roan, buckskin, blk., sorrel, bay & spotted, \$1000/1-up. L. D. Spears, Dry Creek; (337) 328-7365.

**5 Yr. bay** gaited geld., travels well, very gentle, 14 hands, \$900. Charles Simoneaux, Port Allen; (225) 627-4630.

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**2003 AQHA** pal. stud, sire Bubba Gay Holly Bars, Gay Holly Bars, Gay Bar King, dam Melon Kali Dude, Stampede Dude, Blondy's Dude, born 6/23/03, \$7500. Charles Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

**2002 AQHA** gelds., (2) Strait Silver's, super nice, very athletic, good disp., sire is the \$46,000 stud from the Four 6's Ranch in Texas, started ground working, only (1) will sell, \$1700. Wayne Mouch, Addis; (225) 322-6100 or (225) 776-1688.

**1993 AQHA** sorrel mare, Doc's Sug x Sport Model, used mare for penning cows & hunting, 90 days pro cutting training as a 2 yr., ride or raise babies, \$1800. Louis Mouch, Brusly; (225) 749-2140.

**Pal. mare**, gentle, 4 yrs., halter broke, \$500; blk. & wh. paint mare 18 yrs., gentle to ride, \$500; APHA sorrel tobiano mare, halter broke, 4 yrs., gentle, sire, \$100,000 LTE, w/7 ROM's, \$1200. Fred Gossen, Rayne; (337) 334-5417.

**QH/Arabian** mare, 2 yrs., very gentle, anyone can ride, beautiful mane & tail, \$800. Connie Savoy, Church Point; (337) 684-1196.

**Beautiful pal.** TW, 7 yr. geld., 15.2 hands, quick & fun ride, selling tack w/horse, \$2000. Tyler Savoy, Church Point; (337) 654-9076.

**APHA reg.** paint mare, 6 yrs., \$1700; sorrel geld., 5 yrs., \$1200 or trade for Wells Cargo trailer, 16'-20'. Ferall Venable, Scott; (337) 277-2389 or (337) 277-2422.

**2001 APHA** filly, bay, tobiano/overo, w/medicine cap, foaled 1/29/01, green broke, Broseco Rocket, Cardinal Lady Anna, \$1000. C. M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

**(15) Reg. AQHA** weans., sire, Zippididoodah by Zippo Pine Bar, \$1500/1-up; (2) reg. paints by Totally Awesome, \$1000/1 or \$1500/both; (10) reg. AQHA yrlgs., by Zippididoodah, \$1750/1-up. Dennis Crain, Winnsboro; (800) 228-8423 or (318) 435-4280.

**AQHA reg.** gray filly, 10 mos., good bloodlines, very gentle, halter broke, \$850. B. Harris, Baton Rouge; (225) 769-2978.

**AQHA bay** mare, in foal to muscular reg. red roan App. stallion, mare dbl. bred, King bloodline & very gentle, mare & foal, \$1250. Kaitlin Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

**12 Yr. mare**, granddaughter of Doc Goldwood & Doc's Goldmire, dbl. bred Doc Bar on papers, easy breeder, raised with (2) colts, pal. & sorrel w/wh. socks, \$1800. Jay Berza, Eunice; (337) 789-5118.

**15 Yr. AQHA** pal. geld., calf roping, breakaway & team roping horse, great in box, \$3800. Scott Bertrand, Lake Arthur; (337) 774-2259.

**2002 Thoroughbred** reg. stud colt., ready for training, sire Winter Halo by Halo by Hail To Reason, dame Lester's Legend by Alydar & Graustark, \$4500 obo. Nolan Moran, Folsom; (985) 796-8369.

**(2) AQHA reg.** fillies, (1) yrlg., (1) wean., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Sonny Dee Bar bloodlines, \$1200/1-up. A. Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

**Reg. App. geld.**, Cooterville

Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234 bred, also mare mule, 14.2 hands, \$1000/1 nego. H. Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

**1999 AQHA** bay geld., ranch horses, very gentle, \$2500. John Boudreaux, Abbeville; (337) 893-6743.

**AQHA yrlgs. & weans.**, Handle Bar Doc, & foundation bred bloodlines, \$1200/1-up, broodmares avail. Betty Hertzog, Natchez; (318) 379-2482 or (318) 379-2221.

**POA pony** geld., 48", 14 yrs., used for pleasure & show, great barrel & judged events, good second pony, \$2000. Rebecca McLindon, Bush; (985) 892-2686.

**2001 AQHA** sorrel geld., Peponita's Acre x Doc's Oak mare, \$3000. Richard Morvant, Jr., Thibodaux; (985) 447-8165.

**2000 Gray** reg. QH geld., both grand sires are world champs in roping events, \$3000. Darrell Walker, Jennings; (337) 734-3132.

**2003 AQHA pal.** colt, excel. conform., sire is over 90% foundation, Blondy's Dude/Puddenhead, dam WP futurity winner, w/AQHA pts., C.E. Image/Two-Eyed Jack, \$1500. V. Ernst, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-8637.

**AQHA reg.** 4 yr. red dun filly, good handle, used to work cattle on ranch, very gentle, \$2000. Ralph Nix, Mandeville; (985) 727-9758.

**2002 AQHA** sorrel geld., ready to break, \$1500; '89 AQHA pal. mare, Investor & '89 AQHA mare, Skipa Star, both ride, open to breed, \$1250/1. Dr. R. Nix, Mandeville; (985) 727-9758.

**Paso Fino mare**, chestnut, w/wh. markings, 13 yrs., reg. & well gaited, excel. trail ride horse, \$1500. Steve Thibeaux, New Iberia; (337) 229-6859.

**AQHA reg.** mare, child's horse, 22 yrs., very well trained, does jumping, excel. for trail, gray, 15 hands, \$2000. S. Thibeaux, New Iberia; (337) 229-6859.

**1999 AQHA** mare, beautiful, heavily muscled, sound, started on barrels, super handle, \$2500. Lisa Topham, Patterson; (985) 399-6879.

**Paso Fino** geld., 3 yrs., ready for training, gentle, heavily muscled, \$1500. Allen Dugas, Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

**AQHA 2002** Snorty Lena filly, \$2250; '02 Snorty Lena colt, \$1500; '01 Dulces Peppy filly, \$1750; Sonita's Last & Tenino San granddaughter, \$2750. Charles Champagne, Cut Off; (985) 632-3389.

**Blk./wh. spotted** mare, 7 yrs., \$1600. Danny Lee, Bernice; (318) 285-7333.

**AQHA 3 yr.** filly LQHBA bred, running bred, green broke, very nice, sire is Village Hero, \$1500. Kerry Vallet, Maringouin; (225) 625-3239.

**AQHA pal.** mare, bred, \$1500; pal. stud colt, \$1000; red & wh. paint stud colt, blue eyes, \$750; sorrel stud & mare, blk. & wh. stud & mares, pal. paint pares, App. mare, 14 yrs., gentle for kids, \$750-\$1200; donkeys, \$250. Shelia Wells, Jennings; (337) 824-5197.

**AMHR miniature** horses, \$400. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; cyn-

thiabritton@yahoo.com, www.dachshundfarm.com or (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

**AQHA blk.** colt, very gentle, will make excel. pleasure horse, good stud prospect, sire: Rom Pleasure, dam: AQHA points, \$1500; APHA mares, good riding, showing or broodmares, \$3500. L. Kurz, Folsom; (985) 796-0555.

**White horse**, \$600. Jennifer Robinette, Pineville; (337) 523-9846 or (318) 452-7837.

**Reg. AQHA** 6 yr., very good looking bay, rebred to sire of her colt, \$2500; colt is by King's Ranch reg. stud, \$1500; 18 mos. paint colt, by same mare, \$1000; 18 mos. colt by above mare, \$1500, all haltered. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

**12 yr. Cherokee** Treasure & Goldie Leo Annver., easy to handle, can be hand bred or pasture bred, \$2500; (3) ¼ Belgian weans., (1) ½ Belgian, \$1000/1; 2 yr. green broke filly, ¼ Belgian, \$1500. Loretta Williams, Creston; (318) 875-4210.

**Colts & fillies**, sired by Lena's Leo by Doc O'Lena, out of foundation mares, \$1000/1-up; '03 gaited Molly mule, 8 mos., \$1000; gray Jack, w/stripes, \$200. William Loftin, Delhi; (318) 878-2274 or (318) 878-3457.

**(2) 2 yr. sorrel** mares, \$895/1; 1 yr. mule, off reg. QH mare & mammoth Jack, \$800; young paint stud colt, \$6500. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

**Reg. AQHA/AHR** 9 yr. geld., gray, easy to handle, easy loader, all shots & easy to ride, \$800. Paul Pruitt, Atlanta; (318) 646-3172.

**Male donkey**, 5 mos., weaned, very cute, just a pet, light in color, \$150. Billy Weatherford, Leesville; (337) 238-4803.

**2002 AQHA** stallion, sorrel, w/flax mane & tail, green broke, moves & looks good, Peppy San Badger, Peppy's Lena, Zantanoh H, Gay Bar King, Sugaree Doll, King Hankins, \$1500. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

**Reg. '94 sorrel** mare, very gentle, good disp., great handle, good all around horse, \$2000. Paulette or Kent Bailey, Forest Hill; (318) 748-6103.

**Feb. '01 AQHA** filly, halter broke, granddaughter of Colonel Freckles, \$2000. Raymond Lemaire, Gonzales; (225) 664-4475.

**Reg. AQHA** red roan mare, 4 yrs., very gentle, great trail riding, Leo & King bred, \$2000. Alvin Stafford, Prairieville; (225) 673-3373.

**Beautifully gaited**, mature Paso Fino geld., strawberry roan, Slidell area, \$1000. Bruce Wallis, New Orleans; (504) 483-7775.

**AQHA 3.5 yr.** mare, wonderful youth horse, started on cattle & barrels, neck reins, trailer loads, awesome mare, easy to handle, wonderful breaks, great bloodline, \$2000. Patti Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net or (225) 294-7976.

**AQHA chestnut** filly, Zips Chocolate Chip, Doc Bar, Page Steel, Doc Bar bloodline, outstanding filly w/winning bloodline, \$1800. J. Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net or (225) 294-7976.

**AQHA IF 6 yr.** liver chestnut mare, great kid's horse, W. Pleasure prospect, easy breeder, foaler of (3) foals, Zips Chocolate Chip, Doc Bar, Zippo Pine Bar, can be sold w/a breeding to an IF nominated stallion in '04, \$2500 nego. Jim Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net or (225) 294-7976.

**Reg. TW, 9 yrs.**, chestnut geld., 84 mos. training in English Pleasure, Country English Pleasure, show, youth horse & trail, 3 gaited, exceptional horse, \$3500. Skipper Hastings, Lake Charles; (337) 598-2090.

**Wanted:** horse, will pay reasonable price for blk. & wh. geld., children's horse, must be older, friendly, used to children, well ridden, strong & healthy & all shots. Dewey Lonsberry, Glenmora; (318) 659-4398.

## STALLION SERVICE

**AQHA, FQHA** chestnut, Page Steel, Aguila Baron, Chocolate Convoy bloodlines, incentive fund nominated for '04 breeding season, very calm & easy breeder, \$300 LFG. Jim Thompson, Springfield, luckyt@charter.net or (225) 294-7976.

**APHA sorrel/wh.** overo, Investors Delta, could produce your next cutting or reining champ, Gallo Del Cielo, Peppy San Badger, Colonel Freckles, Mr. Norfleet & more, \$500/\$8 mare care. Jim Carte, Parks (337) 845-5122 or (337) 273-5963.

**Lineback red** dun, own son of Tanquary Gin, bloodline: Poco Lena, Doc Bar, Doc O'Lena, Poco Bueno, top & bottom, cow sense & performance, \$600. Warren Iquess, Welsh; (337) 734-3672.

**Homozygous APHA** blk./wh. Skip-N-King, homozygous for paint & tobiano babies, reg. mare, \$350; grade mare, \$250. Beverly Bertrand, Branch; (337) 684-3028 or (337) 580-0161.

**AQHA pal.**, Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

**Blk./wh. App.**, Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

**AQHA '00** gray, Doc's Hickory, Dry Doc, Mr. San Peppy, Right This Minnick, large frame, good bone, lots of athletic ability, in calf roping training, \$400. Lanie Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

**AQHA dark** bay/blk., 15 hands, Peppy San Badger grandson, Puddenhead Doc, very muscular, trained in heading, healing & working cattle, \$350. Gina Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

**AQHA bay** stallion, own son of Docs Stylish Oak, dam Freckles Playmate, NCHA money earner & producer of Smart Plan, \$750/\$8

mare care. Joe Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

**AQHA '98** sorrel, son of Eatn Out, 187,000 NCHA, son of Doc's Hickory, dam daughter of Bob Acre Doc & Poco Josie Bueno, \$450/\$7 mare care. Tyler Reed, Westlake; (337) 491-0922 or (337) 912-1742.

**8 Yr. grandson** of Puddenhead, according to AQHA there are only (2) grandsons of Puddenhead stallions remaining, bay, star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeannette Bucklin, Jackson; www.quarterhorse.com, (337) 824-1642.

**Smart Zan Lena**, own son of Smart Lil Lena, 743000, out of Sparkle Suzanna, 3x world champ., \$75,000 LTE, athletic as they come, \$750/\$8 mare care. Kevin Simoneaux, Opelousas; (337) 942-1880.

**APHA blk.** tobiano/overo stallion, beautiful head & great disp., \$250/\$5 mare care. Jane West, Loranger; bestofthewest@aol.com, (985) 878-4151.

**AQHA perlino** stallion, homozygous, guaranteed pal. or buckskin out of your sorrel & bay mares, foundation bloodlines, \$300/\$5 mare care. Jane Vidal, Loranger; bestofthewest@aol.com, (985) 878-4151.

**AQHA beautiful** bay stallion, great conform., 90% foundation bred, Doc Bar & King breeding, \$300/\$5 mare care. Jane Mae, Loranger; bestofthewest@aol.com, (985) 878-4151.

**AQHA pal.** stallion, produces Tanks w/color, currently his babies are earning APHA points in halter & color, \$300/\$5 mare care. Anthony Vidal, Loranger; bestofthewest@aol.com, (985) 878-4151.

**AQHA pal.** stallion, over 90% foundation, Doc Bar & King bred, produces a lot of size in his babies, \$300/\$5 mare care. Mike Vidal, Loranger; bestofthewest@aol.com, (985) 878-4151.

**AQHA/PHBA** pal. stallion, sire Mr. Golden Dish, Artic Blizzard, dam Skipas Foxy Lena, Fox Quest, \$300. Charles Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

**2000 AQHA** dbl. bred Doc Bar stallion, sorrel, already team roping off of him, has disp. like a geld., 5 generations of NCHA money earners, \$350 LFG/\$3 mare care. Bill Hutchinson, Pride; heelsteer@aol.com or (225) 654-0799.

**AQHA bay** stallion, own son of Streak in LaJolla, ¾ brother to Jess Perry, dams bloodline all blk. type, \$500/\$8 mare care. Richard Guidry, Oberlin; (337) 639-2671.

**Standing 2** AQHA & FQHA stallion, buckskin 94.9%, \$250; red L. B. dam, 91%, \$200. Chris Chiasson, Scott; www.clfarms.homestead.com, (337) 896-4576.

**Standing 2** AQHA & FQHA stallions, dark chocolate pal., 96.8%, \$300; red L. B. dun, 96.8%, \$300. C. Chiasson, Scott; www.clfarms.homestead.com or (337) 896-4576.

**Doc Fitz son**, Doc Bar grandson, Mr. San Peppy, Rey Del Rancho great grandson, will show NCHA '04, \$500; Doc Bar, Flying Bob,

Raisin Sand, Lee Cody bloodline, blood bay, finished head & heel horse, \$300 reg., \$200 grade mares, pasture bred only, no mare care. Joe Ainsworth, Georgetown; (318) 827-9457.

**Cream buckskin**, Poco Bueno & Bogie Black great grandson, sire is NCHA money earner, will show in futurity '04, \$700; Poco Bueno grandson top, great grandson bottom, Wimpy & King great grandson, NCHA money earner, \$500, pasture bred only. J. Ainsworth, Georgetown; (318) 827-9457.

**APHA bay/wh.** tobiano, Tinky Sugar Bar, Lady Galliant, Super Speedie, Speck's Spot, King Greasebar & Puerto Rico Lass bloodlines, ancestors have points in halter, hunter, reining, pole bending, roping & W. pleasure, \$300 reg. mares, \$200 grade mares, \$5/mare care. Heather Bertrand, Opelousas; (337) 826-4519 or (337) 207-3217.

## SHEEP & GOATS

**Reg. 100% Boer male goat**, kids to show, \$175. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**Fb IBGA Boer buck**, born 2/16/03, \$300. R. Richard, Carencro; (337) 896-6264.

**Fb IBGA reg. does**, bred to full SA buck, some w/kids at side, \$200/1-up. Bennie Byargeon, Vidalia; (318) 336-5735.

**Fb Boer billy**, \$300; 1/3 Boer nannies, \$50/1; Boer wether, \$50; 1/2 Boer young billy, \$40. Glen Austin, Winnfield; (318) 628-6150.

**Katahdin ram**, 3 1/2 yrs., 250 lbs., \$250 or trade; Barbado/Katahdin cross ewes, 6-10 mos., \$50/1-up. Cale Deville, Branch; (337) 684-5328 or (337) 581-9227.

**Reg. 100% Boer buck**, red head, 3 yrs., \$275. R. Johnson, Basile; (337) 432-5073.

**NDGA Nigeria dwarf bucklings**, blue eyes, bottle babies, \$200; miniature goats, bottle fed, \$50/1-up. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; cynthiabritton@yahoo.com, www.dachshundfarm.com or (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

**Wanted:** used sheep, goat or hog wire & barbwire. B. Miller, Scott; (337) 234-3464.

**Wanted:** Katahdin sheep. Randy Campbell, Doyline; (318) 745-2581.

## LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

**CKC great Pyrenees pups**, born 12/19/03, raised w/goats, horses, chickens & grandchildren, have both parents on premises, \$150/1. William Lowery, Port Allen; (225) 627-5580.

**AKC reg.** Lab retrievers, yellow, sire is a champ hunter, dam has a champ bloodline, born 10/26/03, \$400. S. Ernst, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-8637 or (985) 969-7450.

**Beautiful, healthy blue Heeler pups**, born 11/22/03, \$100. L. Kirkwood, Elmer; (318) 793-5392.

**CKC rat terrier pups**, wh., blk. & tan markings, great family pets or hunting dogs, \$200; AKC miniature dachshund pups, \$300/1-up; CKC Jack Russell pups, smooth coat, short legged, \$350. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; cynthiabritton@yahoo.com, www.dachshundfarm.com or (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

## SWINE

**#1 Hogs**, 180-260 lbs., \$99/1-up; feeder pigs, \$35/1-up; hogs, 90-150 lbs., \$67.5/1-up, all grain fed. Cindy Smith, Bogalusa; (985) 735-9671.

**1/2 Razorback pigs**, \$35-\$50/1. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197.

## DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

**Lovebirds, \$20/1;** parakeets, \$8/1 all colors, 10 or more, \$15-\$6. Warren Oubre, Litcher, (225) 869-3656.

**Ringneck dove normals & wh.**, \$7.5 & \$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20 & \$30/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

**Parrot or cockatiel cage**, \$30; cage used for hamster, \$30; (5) compartment wire bird cage, \$45. D.L. Johnson, Baton Rouge; (225) 267-9842.

**ABS & BAA banded English budgies**, young birds & breeders, from champ. breeder, \$15/1. Paul Boyer, River Ridge; (504) 737-6263 or (504) 737-7990.

**Lovebirds, peach faced**, orange faced, green & lutino, \$12-\$40/1; diamond doves, \$10/1; parakeets, \$7/1 for (10) or more; Bourke parakeets, \$30/1 or trade. Wade Hendricks, Convent; (225) 562-7719.

**(3) Female sun conures**, breeders, \$225/1 obo; breeder pr. of red-sided eclectus, \$1200 obo; pr. ring-necks, w/cage & nest box, yellow female, green split to blue male, \$350. Jane Brown, Des Allemands; (985) 758-3774.

**Ringneck doves**, wh. w/blk. spots, wh. w/brown spots, cinn., also all wh., no paired, \$5/1. Sybil Gauthier, Hessmer; (318) 563-4338.

**Bonded pr.**, dbl. yellow headed Amazon, w/large cage, \$1250. Barry Miller, Church Point; (337) 873-9440 or (337) 334-5225.

**GQF 1200 series incubator & hatcher**, set includes scale, all excel. cond., \$250. Dixie Batrous, Prairieville; (225) 673-2745.

**Baby eclectus**, 3-4 wks., \$400/1; Solomon eclectus breeder male, \$750. Lennis Hebert, Duson; (337) 981-0574.

**(2) Peahens**, (2) peacocks '03 hatch, \$35/1. Jeff Kuehny, Clinton; (225) 683-8585.

**Blue & gold** to Java rice birds, buildings, cages, incubators, brooders, nest boxes, everything goes, \$20,000 obo. Rickey Foret, Raceland; (985) 532-5443.

**Wanted:** (3) Jenday conures, females, w/DNA papers or trade male for female. Wade Hendricks, Convent; (225) 562-7719.

**Wanted:** ringneck doves, quantity of normal colored ringnecks, no pids, no exotic colors, call with number if birds avail. & price. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

## POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

**Chukar**, fully mature & flight cond., \$6/1; mallard ducks, babies to mature flyers, \$3.50-\$8.00/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; (225) 654-3264 or (225) 445-5012.

**Toulouse geese**, young adults, \$30. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; cynthiabritton@yahoo.com, www.dachshundfarm.com or (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

**Flying mallard ducks**, day old, \$2/1; month old, \$3/1-up; breeder hen, \$10/1; drake, \$7/1; bobwhite, flight cond., \$3/1, will ship. Sunny Daigle, Lake Charles; sunpra29@aol.com or (337) 598-2072 or (337) 540-2416.

**Pullets, Rhode Island reds**, sex link & barred rock, \$7/1. Floyd Cook, Saint Amant; (225) 675-2675 or (225) 622-6188.

**Pharaoh quail**, chicks, 25¢/100; meat birds, \$20-\$22/doz.; all sizes, 25¢-\$1.5/1; pickling eggs, \$10/100. Bruce Richard, Sunset; (337) 662-6088.

**Large Pharaoh quail**, chicks, 25¢/1; adults, \$1.5-\$2/1; Texas A&M wh., 25¢/1; fertile eggs, 10¢/1; non-fertile eggs, 6¢/1. Patti Arnold, Cecilia; (337) 667-6632.

**Barred Rock range chickens**, chicks & fertile eggs, chicks 1-10 wks., \$1/1, plus 25¢ for each additional week; fertile eggs, \$2/doz. Keiffer Meyers, Baker; (225) 261-9533.

**Super large quail hatching eggs**, \$25/100, plus \$12 S&H; live birds, 75¢/1-up; \$25/doz. G. R. Chauvin, Schriever; (985) 448-3360.

**Bobwhite quail**, \$2.5/1. James Madere, Hahnville; (985) 783-6367.

**Female greater currawow**, \$200. Barry Miller, Church Point; (337) 873-9440 or (337) 334-5225.

**Araucana roosters**, all colors, \$4/1. Allen Dugas, Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

**Wanted:** Araucana or buff orpington hens, within 50-75 miles of Raceland. Tammy Loupe, Raceland; (985) 537-4081.

**Wanted:** white male Sebastopol, pr. of buff & gray Sebastopol, pr. of American buff, pr. of gray saddle-back Pomeranian, hatching eggs of any kind. Barry Miller, Church Point; (337) 873-9440 or (337) 334-5225.

**Wanted:** new or used game-bird brooder, metal w/feed & water troughs. Paul Carlton, Avondale; (504) 436-0493.

## PIGEONS

**Racing homers**, Birmingham rollers, \$5/1-up; fan tails, \$7/1-up, various colors, singles & breeding prs.; (4) compartment wire breeding cages, \$40/1. D. L. Johnson, Baton Rouge; (225) 267-9842.

**Wanted:** Oriental frills, satinettes, blondinettes, bluettes, African owls, will purchase or trade for racing homers. David Stoney, Laplace; (985) 652-9544.

## DEER & EXOTICS

**Rocky mountain elk**, male & female, 18 mos.-4 1/2 yrs., \$800/1-up. Ivan Edwards, Sr., Ringgold; (318) 894-9586.

## RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

**San Juans**, Florida cottontail crosses, \$5/1-up; other breeds, \$5/1-up; new wire cages, \$15/1-up. Ishreal Thibodeaux, Opelousas; (337) 942-7726.

**NZW/Flemish mixed bucks & does**, \$6/1-up; (2) 4-compartment wire cages & feeders, \$35/1. D.L. Johnson, Baton Rouge; (225) 267-9842.

**Large breed mixed rabbits**, all ages, NZ, Calif., checkered, etc., \$5/1-up. Dale Falcon, Prairieville; (225) 673-4833.

**Fryer rabbits**, \$6/1; mixed breed adult rabbits, \$15/1; Flemish giant babies, \$10/1. Greg Rollins, Westlake; (337) 436-7879.

**Wanted:** rabbits, preferably NZ, Calif. & mixed breeds, 8 lbs. & up. Wade Rodi, Braithwaite; (504) 682-0726.

## AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

**Crawfish boat**, 14' x 5' steel hull, new 16 hp motor, hyd. pump & wheel motor, front wheels in hulls, w/grading type sacking tray, \$3500. Joe Musick, Crowley; (337) 788-2551.

**Blue Catfish**, 25¢/1; channel catfish, 20¢/1; bluegill, 20¢/1; hybrid bluegill, 25¢/1; Chinquapin, 25¢/1; blk. crappie, 30¢/1; bass, 50¢/1-up; koi, 50¢/1-up, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden; (318) 377-1525.

**Crawfish graders**, 12 volt on board, \$500/1. Walter Porche, Morganza; (225) 694-3797.

**Questions about circulation or lost bulletins contact the Circulation Department at (225) 922-1268.**

## BEES/HONEY

**Complete beekeeping operation**, (4) hives, no bees, (2) extractors, lots of equipment & materials, too much to list, \$1100. Carl Reece, Gilliam; (318) 222-8400 or (318) 296-4296.

## RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

**10 Acres**, located 4 miles east of Eunice, \$5000/acre. Gwyn Kirby, Denham Springs; gwyn@beatle-mail.com or (225) 665-4413.

**Wanted:** 200-250 acres in Jefferson Davis or Acadia parish. Philip Guinn, Jennings; (337) 884-8710.

## FARM SERVICES

**Seven Star stables**, full or partial board, clean & hazard free facility, located 10 minutes from Port Allen off Hwy. 190, 60+ acres for riding. Chris or Donna Leger, Plaquemine; (225) 687-2047 or (225) 776-2843.

**Custom hay baling**, rd. or sq., complete trac. & hauling service, bush hogging, discing, front loader & blade work, new reliable equipment, free estimates. Mathew Parker, Leesville; (337) 535-4968.

**We crack pecans**, fast friendly service, 30¢/lb. Jennifer Young, Zachary; 225-654-3264 or 225-445-5012.

**Protect your investment & your friend**, freeze branding now avail., ID that is humane & visible year round, \$45. Kim Ballard, Cade; (337) 344-3171.

**We buy, sell, train & board horses** and give lessons. Russ Mixon, Pride; russmixon1@cox.net or (225) 654-9254.

## SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

**2003 Hot Peter pepper seeds**, \$1/100-seed pkt., w/SASE. Cleveland Guidry, 918 E. Ash Street, Crowley, LA, 70526; (337) 783-2042.

**Birdhouse & dipper gourds**, cushaw, green stripe, reg. green & long green eggplant, 8" long, cayenne pepper, \$1.5/30 seeds, w/SASE. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA, 70570; (337) 407-0188.



**Rose of Montana**, wh. trumpet, Guatemala purple flower/bean, pinch cushion vines, \$1.5/pkt. w/SASE; red bird of paradise, \$8/1. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

## TREES & FRUITING VINES

**Fig trees**, 2 yrs., \$9.5/2-gal., at place, 10 varieties, SASE for list, will ship dormant, \$12 S&H included. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

**Celeste, honeydew & green ishia** figs, native persimmon, \$5-\$10/1; yellow bush datura, \$6/1; Mamou tree, \$10/1; chinaberry, \$5-\$12/1; yellow rain trees, \$5/1-up; loquats, \$5/1-up. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

**Biscamp pear**, tane nashi & hachiya persimmons, \$8/1, at place only, too big to ship. Ray Hauser, DeRidder; (337) 463-9240.

**3-Gal. nuttall oak**, Shumard oak, sawtooth oak, gobbler oak, river birch, yellow poplar, native mayhaw, \$6/1. Glenn or Angela Austin, Winnfield; (318) 628-6150.

**Vegetable pears**, merlitions, well rooted, growing plants in 2-gal. pots, heavy producer, \$5/1. E.J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

**Citrus trees**, several varieties, \$10/1. Clyde Jones, Braithwaite; (504) 682-3788.

**Cypress trees**, 4'-5', \$10/1. D. Bordelon, Ponchatoula; (985) 345-4280.

**Celeste & brown turkey fig**, southern magnolia, Japanese yew, Japanese plum, Chinese fan palm, dwarf pomegranate, \$8/3-gal.; monkey grass, 75¢/3 qt.; amaryllis red, \$2-\$10 by size. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

## FERTILIZER

**Barnyard manure**, for shrubbery, bedding, etc., you load, \$2/100 lbs., no Sunday business. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

## HAY & GRAIN

**2004 Alicia/Bahia/Tifton 44**, 4x5 rd. bales, \$25/1, in field; \$35/1, delivery, \$4.85/mls., hauling to location of farm. Wayne Ward, Saline; 179erma@bell-south.net, (318) 471-9273.

**Kansas Alfalfa** hay, horse quality, \$7.5/1 or \$7/1 for (50) or more. Ivan Edwards, Sr., Ringgold; (318) 894-9586.

**Bahia hay**, rd. bales, fert., last yr., \$10 & \$12; 2003, \$16/1, we load. Ina Laprarie, Deville; (318) 466-5529.

**2003 Fall season Bahia hay**, excel. quality, well fert. & cured w/o rain, (800) sq. bales, in barn, \$2.5/1; (300) 4x5 rd. bales, \$20/1.

Ike Nichols, Kinder; (337) 639-2140.

**High quality 4x4 rd. bales** of Bahia hay, fert. & kept in barn, \$20/1. Sonny Ridgell, Tickfaw; (985) 345-1128.

**2003 Quality Jiggs Bermuda**, \$3.5/bale, in barn; \$4-\$4.5/bale delivered, but not unloaded. Don Bernard, Broussard; (337) 989-9675.

**2003 Bahia & Jiggs Bermuda**, 4x6 rd. bales, \$20 for Bahia; \$30 for Jiggs, del. \$5/1. Donald Crawford, Broussard; (337) 989-9675.

**Fert. Bahia**, Alicia, 4x5 rd. bales, conditioned, cut & cured, \$20/1. C. M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

**2003 Mixed grass hay**, 4x5 rolls, baled July & Sept. w/o rain, \$15/1. David McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2499 or (337) 831-3746.

**2003 Fert. horse & cattle quality** hay, barn kept, Bahia/Alicia/Tifton solid core 4x5 rolls, \$20-\$25/1, loaded, del. avail. Matthew Parker, Leesville; (337) 535-4968.

**New & old Bermuda & various** other kinds of hay, all from fert. production, you load, \$2-\$4/1, no Sunday calls. Harold Loewer, Eunice; (337) 457-4487.

**Bahia mixed** hay, 5x5 bales, cured w/o rain, \$20/1 or \$17/1 per 100, del. avail. Berwick Olivier, Bourg; (985) 594-2740.

**4x5 rd. bales** of Bahia, well fert., cured w/o rain, in barn, \$25/1. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

**5x5 rd. bales** of Alicia Bermuda grass hay, fert. & cured w/o rain, \$20/1. Mack Goins, DeRidder; (337) 462-0831.

**2003 Pure Bahia 5x5 rd. bales**, \$25/1; big heavy sq. bales, in barn, \$3/1. Kevin Stille, Loranger; (985) 878-6246.

**Alicia sq. bales**, fert., clean, in barn, \$2.5/1, will help load, del. avail. Chad White, Melville; (337) 623-3754.

**2003 Bahia sq. bales**, in barn, cured w/o rain, \$2.5/1. Larry Roberts, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-2055 or (985) 969-1850.

**Rd. bales** Bahia hay, 5x5, fert., limed & cured w/o rain, stored in barn, \$20/1. Ernest Rion, Jr., Reeves; (337) 666-2404 or (337) 370-7620.

**Rd. bales**, Bahia & mixed grass hay, \$15/1, 650 lbs. Addis Landry, Jr., Thibodaux; (985) 446-2261.

**2003 Bahia hay**, standard sq. bales, fert. to soil test, cured w/o rain, \$3.5/1, del. avail. Melvin Husser, Loranger; (985) 748-7958.

**Bahia 4x5 rd. bales**, horse quality, cured w/o rain, in barn, \$25/1; cow hay, outside, \$20/1. Homer Dutsch, Bush; (985) 892-4041.

**Bahia & mixed grass**, cured w/o rain, \$20/1. Whitney Champagne, St. Martinville; (337) 845-4125.

**2003 Grass hay**, fert., 5x6 rd. bales, \$22.5/1, will load. James Leger, Eunice; (337) 207-5895.

**Premium quality** mulch, machine baled pine straw, in barn, Slidell area, \$4/1. Bruce Wallis, New Orleans; (504) 483-7775.

**Rd bales** of hay, 1 yr., \$10/1. Tim Sprowl, Natchitoches; (318) 354-6864.

**Jiggs Bermuda** fert., in barn, 99.9 weed free, 600 lb. bales, \$16/1. Curby Richard, Evangeline; (337) 824-1424.

**Argentina Bahia** sq. hay, \$2.75/1. Willie Lewis, Montpelier; (225) 777-4880.

**4x5 rd. bales** of Bahia, will load, \$13/1. Roger Amedee, Jr., St. Amant; (225) 675-5739.

**2003 Alicia Bahia 4x5 rd. bales**, in barn, \$35/1; cattle mixed grass, \$15/1. Brandy Cella, Bush; (985) 892-0240.

**Sq. bales**, fert., clean, cured w/o rain, no weeds, Bahia, \$2.75/1; rye grass, \$3/1. Lew Overton, Slaughter; (225) 654-0086.

**4x5 bales**, Argentine or Pensacola Bahia, Alicia or common Bermuda, crabgrass, mixed grass, \$18-\$25/1, we load. Bryan Alleman, Rayne; (337) 334-9322.

**Clean, fert. Bahia hay**, rd. bales, \$15/1. Henry Blount, Jr., Holden; (225) 777-4376.

**Alicia, \$3.25/1**; Bahia, \$3/1 or \$2.75 for 20 or more; 5x5 rd. bales, Alicia, Bahia & crab grass, \$18-\$35, loaded, sq. bales you load. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

## TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

**Yanmar 2000**, 20 hp trac. w/new bush hog, box & front-end loader, \$6500; 6' box, new, \$275; 10' disc, excel. cond., \$1150. Patrick McCain, Amite; (985) 748-9291.

**706 Int. trac.**, 95 hp, w/bush hog, \$4500; Massey 50 trac., \$3000; 18' Case disc, \$1500; 16' Oliver disc, for parts, 16' Case cultipacker, \$1500; JD 15' bush hog, no wings, \$1500; weights for front trac., \$250. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197.

**4440 JD trac.**, 4040 JD trac., 605 XL Vermeer rd. baler, 9' Vermeer cutter, 13' bush hog clipper, \$1500-\$18,500/each. William Loftin, Delhi; (318) 878-2274 or (318) 878-3457.

**5300 JD**, 50 hp, w/JD canopy, new front tires, new clutch, (1) owner, excel. cond., \$13,000. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

**JD 2440**, 60 hp diesel, all new tie rod end & rebuilt HD pump, w/Kelly side plow, excel. cond., \$7500. Russell Roy, Rayne; (337) 873-8330.

**JD 1010** trac., good tires, runs well, in good cond., gas engine, \$2500. Ernest Albert, Milton; (337) 856-5726.

**Land Pride 4'** finishing mower, \$450; Ford 1710 diesel, w/ROPS, \$4500; Ford 1600 diesel, wide

front, \$2000; IH 484 diesel, w/new 5' cutter, \$5200; 1044 NH bale wagon, \$5200. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 339-7876.

**Crustbuster grain drill**, excel. cond., \$1500; W&A 8-row hippo w/Orthman row markers, excel. cond., \$2600; irrigation pumps, 6" x 8", trailer mounted, PTO driven, excel. cond., \$1500. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**JD 1050**, 1 owner, new cond., \$7950. William Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 453-5685.

**Gehl 1400 rd. baler**, good cond., \$2000; (2) Vicor hay cutters, 8', leaks oil, bottom plate, \$1500; 4-wheel hay rake, \$250; Ford 5000 trac., \$5000. Sal Mistretta, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-9224 or (504) 559-4390.

**8N Ford trac.**, 12-volt system, runs & starts well, \$2200. Irving Taylor, Carencro; (337) 896-0194.

**Massey Ferguson 50**, butane trac., w/5' bush hog, \$2500. Fred Gossen, Rayne; (337) 334-5417.

**(1) Super "A"**, (1) Super AV, (2) cubs, all look good & run great, all w/tools, \$2500/1 or trade for dozer of equal value. Wanda Soileau, Pine Prairie; (337) 599-3195.

**MF 240** diesel trac., 40 hp, like new, \$8500; MF 255, 55 hp diesel, \$8000. Ernest Webb, Choudrant; (318) 768-2685.

**Ford 860** Power Master, 45 hp, 5 spd., gas, w/5' bush hog & box blade, \$4200; 8N Ford, new paint, \$2500; 640 Ford, w/box blade, \$3800. Jimmy Pitre, West Monroe; (318) 322-6348.

**4' Box blade**, in good shape, like new, \$200. Darre Guillory, Ville Platte; (337) 826-5350.

**New Burch 4B114** edge drop planters, sword opener, 7 x 18 rubber tire press wheel, w/clamps, \$500/1, no fertilizer; new 12' drag-type spring tooth harrow, (3) section w/toolbar, \$475. Clement LeJeune, Lake Charles; (337) 478-6885.

**JD 30/20**, excel. cond., 8 spd. standard, all remotes, ditching blade bored & sleeved, 65-80 hp, front & rear counter weights, 18.4 x 34 tires, good cond., 12' JD disc, \$9000. Henry Mallett, Sr., Welsh; (337) 734-2203.

**IH 5488** trac., cab/ac, w/duals, new tires, new engine, \$14,000. James Stacey, Natchitoches; (318) 352-3692.

**Int. Super "A"**, w/fresh overhaul & paint job, new row tools & front factory dirt blade, \$2500. John Soileau, Pine Prairie; (337) 599-3195.

**Vermeer 10-wheel** hay rake, hyd. open/close on caddy, draw bar attach., excel. shape, \$2850. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334.

**7.3 Ford** diesel motor, \$1500; (4)

9.0 Int. diesel motors, \$1000/1. Jake McCain, Sweet Lake; (337) 598-4886.

**1981 JD trac.**, 301-A, 3 cyl. diesel, 43 hp, p/s, canopy, 3 pt. lift, PTO, good rubber, looks & runs good, \$6500; '94 mini excavator, 320 Bobcat, 3 cyl. diesel eng., rubber tracks, good undercarriage, push blade, runs & operates well, \$9000. Ronald Sharp, Springfield; (225) 695-3627.

**970 Case 85 hp** diesel, 7 remotes, new tires, \$6000. Joe Musick, Crowley; (337) 788-2551.

**Mitsubishi 3 cyl.** diesel trac., 4 wd, 750 hrs., 9 spd., 3 PTO spd., \$4900; Ford 2000 diesel trac., 31 PTO hp, 8 spd., very good cond., \$4500. J. Guillot, Hessmer; (318) 563-4776.

**Rebuilt 6-71** Detroit engine, \$4000; Lister engine parts, block, heads & crank, \$150. Michael Daigle, Branch; (337) 684-6674.

**Trac. tire** 12-4-28 R1, trac. tire 13-6-28 R1, barely used, \$75/1. Edgar Bryant, Lake Charles; (337) 855-2634.

**Int. AV**, good cond., 12 volt, 3 pt. hitch, front & rear hyd., \$1000. Harold Ortego, Bunkie; (318) 346-2541.

**JD 4230** trac., w/cab/ac, just painted, very clean, \$12,500. Roger Brown, Bunkie; (318) 346-4171.

**1982 Ford 1300** trac., 4x4, w/finishing mower & blade, \$5000. U. L. Bordelon, Mansura; (318) 253-5190.

**Ford 7840** SL cab/ac trac., w/Woods dual loader, 95 hp, '94, very good cond., \$20,000. Glenn Gislair, Cut Off; (985) 632-5190.

**8N Ford trac.**, w/bush hog, runs good, \$2500. Melvin Edwards, White Castle; (225) 545-2471.

**JD 2010** dozer, 6-way blade, as is, \$2500; Int. 444 trac., for parts, \$800; MF 1100, runs, needs work, \$2000. Ricky Bell, Franklinton; (985) 839-6259.

**JD 6200**, 66 hp, w/12 spd. Syncro-plus trans., cab/ac & radio, new rear tires, 5000 hrs., used only in hay field, extra clean, excel. cond., \$19,500; Kuhn 600, 8' hay cutter, used (2) seasons, very clean, excel. cond., \$4800. Ike Nichols, Kinder; (337) 639-2140.

**15' Bush hog**, 2615 Ledgend, very good cond., kept in shed, \$6000. Chad White, Melville; (337) 623-3754.

**Zeh-Noh ZL1501DT**, 4 wd trac., w/new ML 160 gas trac., trac. completely refurbished, w/new canopy, \$8000. Jeff Alvarez, Pride; (225) 654-2268.

**JD 520** grain drill, new paint, 3 pt. hitch, excel. cond., 7" or 14" markers, \$1500 nego. Doug Boudreaux, Simmesport; (318) 941-2614.

**Super major** engine & parts, 55 hp, diesel, newly rebuilt, w/rebuilt injectors, fuel pump, main rod barrens & oil pump, also sleeve & pistons, \$1500. Hubert Savoy, Rayne; (337) 334-2968.

**JD grain drill**, \$250; seeder-fert. dist., 3 pt. hitch, \$150. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**Rhino turf** flex 15 1/2' finishing mower, great for orchards or large yards, reduced price, \$2000; '98

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Ransome 728D commercial mower, 6' deck, 28 hp diesel, 1200 hrs., \$3600 obo; Ferris 48" commercial mower, \$1400 obo. Dwayne Riche, Cottonport; (318) 964-2473.

**NH 353 feed mill**, grinder & mixer, 4480 lb. shell corn capacity, on wheels, portable w/auger, PTO driven, shed kept, very excel. cond., \$5000. Darby Miller, Church Point; (318) 561-6190.

**17-yard Reynolds dirt pan**, '01, \$23,000; 17-yard Reynolds dirt pan, '00, \$23,000; 14 yard Reynolds dirt pan, '00, \$18,000, all in excel. shape. Bert Gremillion, Morganza; (225) 694-2217 or (225) 405-4986.

**Pasture cutter**, 5', 3 pt. hitch, \$275; 6-row Afco Flame cult., \$250; 6-row Chattanooga crop maker cult., \$425; 6-row Barrentine harrow, 3 pt. hitch, \$200; 6-row Taylorway cult, 3 pt. hitch, \$450; 6-row Glenco cult., w/ga. wheels, \$450. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania; (318) 552-6265.

**6-row Barrentine harrow**, 3 pt. hitch, good, \$200; 6-row Chattanooga crop maker cult., good, \$425. Michael Bradley, Transylvania; (318) 552-7718.

**Red cub trac.**, w/belly mower, \$2200; 806 Int. trac., \$4500; HD sub soiler, pulled by dozer witch winch, \$850; large oat Krimper, \$995. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

**Wanted:** topline to fit IH-1466, in good cond. Bryan McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2998.

**Wanted:** old Cub cadet trac. or attachments, running or not. Dave Kauzlarich, Lacombe; (985) 882-6724.

**Wanted:** 5' brush cutter, manufactured in Minden, by Dunham Mfg. Inc., during the 1970s. Frank Rawls, Crossett, AR; (870) 364-5706.

**Wanted:** IH 1468, 1568 or 1566, running or not. Shaun Peck, Arnaudville; (337) 945-2700.

**Wanted:** garden tiller. E. J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

**Wanted:** 450 Case dozers, in any shape, whole or in parts. P. R. Krantz, Krotz Springs; (337) 566-3518.

**Wanted:** JD A, B, H, G & M gasoline 2 cyl. trac. models, in running cond. or for parts; '56-'61 JD 720, 730, 820 & 830 diesel trac., in running cond. or for parts. T. J. Bonstaff, Batchelor; (225) 492-2762.

**Wanted:** manure spreader, in good cond., trac. type or pulled by ATV. Clay Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

**Wanted:** combine header, flex 18'. Victor Lachney, Moreauville; (318) 985-2545.

## FARM TRUCKS & RELATED PARTS

**1993 Ford F-350**, 1-ton, dual wheels, cab & chassis, 5 speed trans., good cond., \$1500. Harold Matthews, Jennings; (337) 824-4420.

**1975 Ford Bronco**, 4 wd, 49,000 orig. miles, 302 V8, auto, p/s, \$4500 nego. John Poe, Singer; (337) 786-5860.

**1952 Ford pickup**, new Chevy 350 engine, low mileage, new seats & interior, auto, \$7995. Eugene Dupre, Jr., Slidell; (985) 646-1176.

**JD Trail Gator**, \$3700. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**1994 Ford F250**, 5 speed, w/ac, LWB, mint cond., \$4200; '92 Jeep Wrangler, auto, w/ac, CD, (2) tops (hard & soft), chrome & winch, \$7000 or \$6500 w/o winch. U. L. Bordelon, Mansura; (318) 253-5190.

**7 each, 8 lug G.M. dually wheels**, w/good 10-ply tires, \$300. Bob Rabalais, Prairieville; (225) 622-4472.

**1969 Ford Ranchero**, \$500. Harry Trichel, Campti; (318) 476-2653.

**1997 S-10 Chevy ext. cab**, excel. cond., new tires, timing chain, good truck, new head & alternator, \$3300; '02 Sierra GMC, V8, auto, towing, extra leaf in spring, 255 x 70-16 tires, 40,000 miles, bed liner & rails, \$13,900. Marlin Bailey, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2865.

## TRAILERS, WAGONS & EQUIPMENT

**18' Gooseneck w/2' dovetail**, \$1500; 35' gooseneck trailer, \$1000. Maurice Loupe, Jr., (985) 537-4081.

**Stock trailer**, 16', like new, bumper pull, \$3700. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**14' Gooseneck stock trailer**, new metal floor, tires, & paint, \$1800 or obo; 6000 lb. tow motor fork lift, \$2500. Jerry Kratzer, Roanoke; (337) 753-2327.

**Covered 4-wheel buggy**, \$400. Barry Miller, Church Point; (337) 873-9440 or (337) 334-5225.

**Flatbed trailer**, 8'x17', (2) axles, \$2000. John Suire, Braithwaite; (504) 682-3875.

**(3) Seat Amish horse-drawn carriage**, used for weddings, wh. w/red seats, blk. fold down top, \$5500; harness, \$350; (3) seat Amish wooden wagon, \$1400. Jennifer Robinette, Pineville; (337) 523-9846 or (318) 452-7837.

**8' x 20' Bumper-pull flat bed trailer**, \$950. Harry Trichel, Campti; (318) 476-2653.

**2002 Exiss 3-horse slant w/10' living quarters**, refrigerator, microwave, stove, feed manger,

rear tack, 22' awning, \$35,000. Jon Hebert, Church Point; (337) 684-0119 or (337) 316-0938.

**6' x 14' Farm/trail ride wagon**, heavy-duty, all new oak lumber, 4' x 6", 2 x 2 angle iron frame, new rubber tires, very good cond., \$500. Todd Bodin, Port Allen; (225) 627-7649.

**Double horse trailer**, open trailer, w/good tires, in good cond., \$500 obo. Cheryl Diaz, Galliano; (985) 475-7272 or (985) 637-7273.

**(35) Cotton trailers**, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, excel. for hay trailers or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., del. avail., \$500-\$1450. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

**35' Gooseneck w/5' dovetail**, vac./hyd. brakes, (2) 10,000 lb. dual tandem axles, \$4500. Joe Musick, Crowley; (337) 788-2551.

**Antique wagon**, Owensboro, 1912, rubber tires, needs work, \$500. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197.

**36' Gooseneck**, dual tandem, dovetail, good tires & floor, \$4750. Mike Towns, Arcadia; (318) 263-3000.

**40' x 8' x 8' cotton trailer**, heavy-duty, good cond., \$475; (2) 24' x 8' x 6' cotton trailers, real good, \$425/1; 1000-gal. A. A. tank on 4-wheel trailer, \$395. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania; (318) 552-6255.

**Miniature horse buggies & carts**, 2 & 4 wheel, \$200. Cynthia Britton, Zachary; cynthiabritton@yahoo.com, www.dachshund-farm.com or (225) 658-9293 or (225) 939-5391.

**(3) Axle dump trailer**, \$10,000; horse drawn wagon, 1 or 2 horse, \$650. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

**20' S & H gooseneck cattle trailer**, bar top, w/canvas, (2) 7000 lb. axles, clean trailer, \$3500. Rudy Douglas, Slaughter; (225) 921-0452.

**Wanted:** 2-horse slant or straight load Thoroughbred trailer, w/ramp, gooseneck or bumper pull. Jim Montgomery, Pineville; (318) 449-8557 or (318) 308-0098.

**Wanted:** 6' x 18' bumper-pull stock trailer, or bumper-pull aluminum 3-horse slant w/tack room. Jay Bernza, Eunice; (337) 789-5118.

## FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

**Okra cutters**, hand operated, \$90/1-up; custom-made motorized cutters, \$500/1-up, advanced deposit required. Franklin Courville, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

**Round pen**, constructed of fiberglass material, each panel is 5' x 12', 50' rd. pen, w/o bow gate, \$995; add panels as needed, \$77/1. Larry Fontenot, Lake Charles; (337) 855-0629.

**Fiberglass farm gates**, \$73/10'; \$79/12'. Deb Fontenot, Lake Charles; (337) 855-0629.

**2 3/8" tubing**, 75¢/ft.; 2 7/8" tubing, 80¢/ft.; 3 1/2", 90¢/ft.; 7" casing, \$5/ft.; 8 5/8" casing, \$6/ft. Gene Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**Heartwood comm.**, portable diesel band saw, 80 hp Perkins tandem axles, 500 hrs., \$29,500. Herbert M. LeJeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

**(5) 5' x 12' coral panels**, w/pins, \$200. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

**Aspen lumber**, 1" x 6", T & G, great for do-it-yourselfers or contractors, 95¢/board ft. Jason Curtis, Florien; (318) 586-3878.

**(2) YSI 55 oxygen meters**, good for monitoring oxygen levels in crawfish ponds, \$300-\$350/1. Perry Moses, Deville; (318) 466-9188 or (318) 452-3052.

**Completely mobilized hyd. conveyor belt**, 18" width, 4 cyl. Wisconsin engine, reaches up to 85'-150', folds up to tow behind pickup, \$3000 obo. W.C. Brister, Metairie; (504) 456-6530.

**Water trough 3'5" x 3'10" x 3'**, \$100; elevator, elec., \$400; head gate, 2" thick cypress boards for chute, \$300; corn grinder, \$225; 12V winch, \$200; pasture & pen gates, 10'-12', \$100/1. John Suire, Braithwaite; (504) 682-3875.

**Roping saddle**, 16", Hereford, good cond., \$325. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

**2 3/8" tubing**, 74¢/ft.; 2 7/8" for 87¢/ft.; 3 1/2" tubing, \$1.75/ft., larger sizes also avail. Terry Brasseaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8462.

**276# Anvil**, at least 80 yrs., in excel. cond., \$850. Doug Luke, Folsom; (985) 796-0570.

**110-gal. chemical tank**, good, \$45. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania; (318) 552-6265.

**New 17" roping saddle**, \$575. J. L. Beasley, Baker; (225) 775-4355 or (225) 775-3362.

**1000-gal. diesel fuel tank**, w/pump, on skids, good cond., on concrete, \$600. Ronald Sharp, Covington; (985) 892-1551.

**New galv. panels**, w/mud boots, 40' rd. pen, \$525; 50' rd. pen, \$625; 60' rd. pen, \$775; all include 4' bow gate. Michael Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

**Cypress logs & lumber**. Dean Tyler, Pineville; (318) 448-5197.

**Several hundred 3/4" sucker rods**, \$8/1, at farm; \$9, del. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island; (318) 389-5395.

**Wood burning stove/heater**, w/flue, 2-plate stovetop, \$100. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

**30-ton shop press**, brand new, \$200; 3 pt. hitch tiller, for 17 hp trac., \$300. Maurice Loupe, Jr., Raceland; (985) 537-4081.

**(25) Used crossties**, solid, \$7.5-\$6.5/1 graded; dry pecan & oak firewood, 16'x4'x24" rack, \$90/all. Roger Ducote, Glynn; (225) 627-4881.

**Portable welder** by Lincoln, 20 hp, Kohler gas engine, 250 ac-dc welding amps, 8 KW stand by power plant, welder is new, never used, \$2500; w/trailer, \$3000. L. J. St. Germain, Montz; (985) 652-9089.

**(100) or more used "T" posts**, 48" in length, in good cond., 75¢/1 for (20) or more; 60¢/1 for (40) or more taken. Ed Dugas, Carencro; ead9743@louisiana.edu or (337) 896-4335.

**Air compressor**, 185 cfm Ingersoll Rand, w/JD engine, \$3500. Mike Towns, Arcadia; (318) 263-3000.

**Wanted:** 50' or 60' rd. pen, w/bow gate. Mike Porterfield, DeRidder; (337) 463-3961.

**Wanted:** 3-wheel Yazzo, 48" cut lawn mower, for parts. Charles Doucette, Vinton; (337) 589-7284.

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**Goat milk soap**, handmade, skin soothing, many varieties, all natural ingredients, \$4/5-6 oz. bar. Kathleen Matte, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7130.

**Wanted:** old gristmill or millstones, any size. Richard Eaves, Demopolis, AL; (334) 289-8906, raleaves@email.com.

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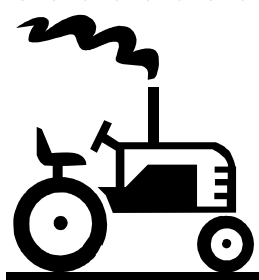
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**Mardi Gras of Southwest Louisiana** will be held Jan. 16 through Feb. 17, in Jennings. For more information, contact Ginger Webb at (337) 824-1875.

**Courir de Mardi Gras**, will be Feb. 22 in Church Point. For more information, contact T. C. Cary at tcbusybee@aol.com or (337) 684-2739.

**Black Heritage Festival**, will be March 6 & 7 in Lake Charles. For more information, contact Stella Miller at bhflc@yahoo.com or (337) 497-0026.

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# Trees Are Terrific... In Cities And Towns

Arbor Day poster winners, continued from page 12



Katie Payne, a student in Choudrant, received an honorable mention in the state Arbor Day poster contest (top). Logan Ray, a student in Baton Rouge, also received an honorable mention in the contest (bottom). Both students were awarded a certificate of commendation and other prizes from the Department of Agriculture and Forestry and the National Arbor Day Foundation.



Strawberry farmers have found that covering their crop with row covers is effective in protecting the fruit and blossoms when temperatures plunge below freezing, but stay above 25 degrees.

## Louisiana strawberries off to fast start

The recent warm days and chilly nights have been near perfect for this year's strawberry crop, according to the LSU AgCenter's Dr. Regina Bracy, who says the 2004 crop is off to a good start but could be slowed a little by the recent cold snap.

"We actually had some farmers who were picking berries before Christmas this year, which means that they will get a bumper price for their crop," said Bracy, who conducts research on strawberries and is the research coordinator of the LSU AgCenter's Hammond Research Station.

Many farmers in South Louisiana use two basic methods - sprinklers and row coverings - to make sure strawberry plants aren't lost during freezing temperatures. But cold like that seen around the first of the year still can slow production.

"The farmers use the sprinklers to cover the plants with water before the temperature gets below freezing," Bracy explained. "Once the temperature gets down to freezing, the ice gives off heat and keeps the plants from freezing to death."

When the sprinklers are used, they have to stay on until the ice thaws - or the plants will dehydrate and die, Bracy added.

If the temperature stays above 25 degrees, Bracy said many strawberry farmers would use row coverings instead of sprinklers. But when temperatures drop below the 25-degree mark, sprinklers and row coverings are likely to be used, she said.

The recent cold snap in the Hammond area brought temperatures down to 27 degrees, so most of the farmers used only row coverings.

Bracy said that was good for farmers, since using water to protect the crop is relatively costly, can require a large amount of water and isn't the best thing for strawberry plants.

In addition, Bracy said more farmers are using row coverings now, because water can go through it and air can penetrate it, but it's enough of a barrier that it maintains the heat from the soil.

"The covering usually protects the plant about 4 to 6 degrees from the ambient temperature. So if it's 32 degrees outside, then we're saying under the row covering it will be anywhere from 34 to 38 degrees," she explained.

Strawberry production in the state is conducted on about 300 to 400 acres - primarily in Tangipahoa Parish. While total strawberry production was down slightly in 2002, the gross farm income of \$8.7 million generated by the crop was up about 3 percent from the 2001 level.

Bracy said the major competition Louisiana farmers face comes from those in California and Florida. Weather in those states determines when the competition will begin, she said.

"Those berries generally start coming into the state during the first of March, so Louisiana farmers could still have about two months of production before the competition gets stiff," Bracy said.

## Sugarcane farmers finish 'good' harvest season

Rains around the New Year's holiday weekend didn't dampen this season's Louisiana sugarcane harvest - which experts say turned out to be "relatively good."

Although the sugarcane harvest season often stretches past New Year's, the last Louisiana mills finished processing this year's sugarcane, which farmers had finished harvesting earlier, on Dec. 28.

"For the most part, it was a relatively good harvest season," said Dr. Ben Legendre, sugarcane specialist with the LSU AgCenter's Sugar Research Station at St. Gabriel. "Overall, it turned out to be pretty good."

Legendre said the Louisiana yields were somewhere between 30 tons and 31 tons of cane per acre, which was off two to three tons from last year's harvest. On the other hand, the average

sugar yield per ton of cane was between 212 pounds and 215 pounds - up from 179 pounds of sugar per ton of cane last year.

"Sugar recoveries per ton were much better than last year," Legendre said. "But it was about average for the previous five years, excluding the low yield of the 2002 crop."

The LSU AgCenter faculty member also pointed out tropical storms and late-season rains in 2002 hampered harvest and reduced sugar yields and mill efficiencies.

Industry observers estimate the current year's crop will yield approximately 1.47 million tons of sugar, which was produced on more than 480,000 acres in the state.

If those projections hold true, the gross farm income from sugar and molasses for 2003 will total nearly \$360 million. Value-added income of approximately \$240 million will bring

the total economic contribution from Louisiana sugar production to approximately \$600 million.

Sugarcane fields generally provide three to four years' worth of crops harvested annually from mid-September through mid-January before they must be replanted.

Although the final figures for this year aren't in yet, Louisiana farmers grew nearly 495,000 acres of sugarcane in 25 parishes during the previous year. In 2002, they harvested more than 455,000 acres with a total production of almost 1.3 million tons of sugar.

The gross farm income from the 2002 crop was \$334.3 million for sugar and molasses, and value-added income was an additional \$214 million for a total contribution of \$548.3 million to the Louisiana economy.





## ***Super Bowl Must Haves***

### ***Grilled Venison Roast***

1 (5 lb.) venison roast  
3 cloves garlic crushed  
1 cup beef consommé  
1 bottle of Louisiana Dark Beer

Mix garlic, consommé and beer; pour over roast and marinate overnight. Remove meat from marinade and place 4 bacon strips on top of roast. Cook over indirect heat for 2 hours. After the first hour add coals on each side of meat to maintain even cooking. When meat reaches desired doneness or is tender remove from heat, let stand 10 minutes and slice thin to serve.

### ***Venison Patties***

1 pound venison	1/8 teaspoon marjoram
1/2 pound chopped bacon	1 egg
1/2 cup minced green onions	Salt and pepper to taste
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon peel	Bread crumbs
1/8 teaspoon thyme	

Combine all ingredients, except bread crumbs. Form into a 3 inch roll, lightly cover with bread crumbs, cut into 1/2 inch thick slices and fry until lightly browned. Serve with sauce for dipping.

### ***Party Pizzas***

1 lb. ground beef	1/2 tsp. oregano
1 lb. pork sausage	1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
1 lb. Velveeta cheese, cut into chunks	1/2 tsp. garlic salt
2 tbsp. ketchup	2 loaves sliced party size rye bread

Brown ground beef and sausage in skillet and drain. Add remaining ingredients, stirring until cheese is melted. Spread mixture over rye bread slices place on cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 8-10 minutes.

### ***Caramel Popcorn (No Baking)***

1 stick margarine  
8 large marshmallows  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
6 cups popped corn

Mix all ingredients over stove, stir until marshmallows are melted and sugar dissolved. Pour over popcorn, toss and serve.

### ***Butterscotch Squares***

1 lbs. margarine or butter	2 tbsps. baking powder
2 lbs. 8 oz brown sugar	1 tsp. salt
10 large eggs	12 oz. nuts, chopped
1 tbsp. vanilla	16 oz. chocolate chips
1 lb. 8 oz. flour, all-purpose	

Cream margarine and sugar on medium speed for 5 minutes. Add eggs, one at a time, add vanilla. Mix on low speed until blended. Combine dry ingredients. Add to creamed mixture. Mix on low speed until blended. Add nuts, mix to blend. Spread mixture evenly in 2 greased 12 x 8 x 2 inch baking pans. Bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes. Cut into squares. Yield: 60 portions.

### ***Fruited Jalapeno Cheese***

2 (8 oz.) packages Monterey Jack jalapeno cheese, grated	1/4 tsp. garlic powder
1 small onion, grated	Salt and pepper to taste
1 cup chopped pecans	1 (8 oz.) jar strawberry preserves
1 cup mayonnaise	

Mix all ingredients except strawberry preserves together and pat flat on plate. Refrigerate several hours or overnight. Before serving, cover with strawberry preserves. Serve with crackers.

### ***Easy Con Queso***

1 can black-eyed peas (mashed)	1 tsp. cumin
1 lb. Velveeta cheese (cubed)	1 tsp. oregano
1 can green chilies (diced)	1/2 tsp. hot sauce
1 can chili with beans	1 tsp. garlic salt
1 large onion	

Mix all ingredients together by hand. Place in a 2 quart casserole. Bake at 350 degrees until well melted. Serve with chips.